Ex-Beatle, John Lennon, once wrote to a Christian, to thank him, after hearing from a cousin, that the Christian was praying for him. He confessed that his whole life from birth had been unhappy. Money, fame, and all that glitters, had only left him empty.

He said, 'As the song we wrote, Paul and me wrote, Money Can't Buy Me Love, it's true. The point is this, I want happiness...Explain to me what Christianity can do for me? Is it phoney? Can He love me? I want out of hell.'

There's a cartoon showing an old couple in their home surrounded by their wealth. The wife says to "We've husband. got her everything we ever wanted. A big house, two cars, a swimming pool, it's not fault our if we're not happy." It didn't buy John Lennon the happiness he sought all his life either.

People idolize Celebrities, because they've achieved what most people believe will make them happy. Fame and wealth. But, when Celebrities make it to the top, they find nothing has changed. That wasn't the elusive 'something else' that would bring them real happiness. It wasn't the end of the road after all, the road carries on, and they carry on, still unsatisfied.

Contentment is really what people are seeking, but no-one will ever find what they seek, if they're always searching in empty rooms.

The elusive emptiness, and hunger within people's hearts, is Spiritual. We all have a God shaped void within us, that only God can fill, and no-one will get the right answers, if they're always asking the wrong questions.

John Lennon asked the right

question, "Can He love me?" Yes, He can. As John 3:16 famously puts it, 'For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him, would not perish, but would have everlasting life.' 'Whosoever' included John Lennon. There's another 'whosoever.' 'Whosoever shall call on the Name of the Lord shall be saved.' (Acts 2:21).

These verses answer the question for John Lennon, and they also answer it for anyone else, who asks the right question.

If you want to fill the void in your life, invite Jesus Christ into it. This can be done simply by praying, "Lord Jesus, I confess to you that I have lived a life of sin. I repent of it, and ask your forgiveness, and invite You into my life to be my Lord and Saviour, and I will love and serve You, all the days of my life. Amen." Now that your sins are forgiven, live a life that is worthy of Jesus Christ.

As with any new born creature, you need to feed, or you will starve. The Bible is Spiritual food, to satisfy our Spiritual hunger, so read it daily.

The most important part of this new relationship, is the fact that Jesus didn't remain in the tomb, but He was resurrected to life after three days, as He foretold. And before He ascended to Heaven, He promised "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

As with any other relationship, you need to communicate, so talk to Jesus Christ daily in prayer. Find a Church where He is honoured as Lord and Saviour, to serve Him, and meet with others who also know Him personally, to learn and grow. For more information, please feel free to contact:

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